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Fruit Canning Factory, Steam Laundry, Co-Operative Creamery, Fishing Industry, Municipal Water Plant, Columbia Highway, Rail and Water Transportation. Greatest River on the Continent, Electric Lights, Live Wire Commercial Club, Improvement Co., Columbia County Fair, Mild Climate, The Best Soil, Choice Fruit Land, Prettiest Scenery, Four City Parks.

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OREGON GRANGE MASTER PLEASED

C. E. Speuce, master of the Oregon Sate Grange, came to San Francisco to attend the sessions of the National Grange, and is returning to Oregon sibusiastic over the work accomshed. While Woman Suffrage was defeated by the National Grange last year by a vote of 26 to 24, the somen won out this year by a vote of 20 to 25. Mr. Spence considers this change of front remarkable and the endorsement of Woman's Suffrage as | native wilds, great step forward. Last year, Prohibition was treated in a rather adefinite way, while this year the National Grange was practically s unit in endorsing National Prohibities. The present conservation poller of the Forestry department came is for endorsement, and very progresive ideas on Rural Credits were plopted as the policy of the National 6mage. It was decided to deman-1 that the government provide for rural gredit purposes some circulating me diam, as in the case of the regional lanks. The Grange arrayed itself against bonding for road const. c tion, largely on the idea that cond building is still in the experimenta stage. It also declared in favor of building market roads first. There was practically unanimous opposition to the proposed increase of army may and armament. The National Gange insists on raising the standard of citizenship rather than large sums of money for destructive purpose. Strong peace resolutions were idented. It was also agreed that there should be a uniformity of tax laws as affecting states, this to pre reat the tax dodging that has be come so flagrant on the part of wealthy citizens owning property it many states. The National Grange bromposed of the Master and Matro: of the State Granges of the nation and at this time 57 were present representing practically all the states of the union. Mr. Spence spent musiderable time at the Oregon

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building and on the exposition

grounds and expressed the confidence

that Oregon has made a wonderfully

effective showing here, one from

which the state is certain to derive

great benefit. B. G. Leedy of Cor

vallia, formerly Master of the State

Grange, was also here, and was

equally enthusiastic over the Oregon

showing.

Now on the Market by the St. Helen Lumber Company.

Expert agriculturists and successful retired farmers concur in the opinion that there are five important factors which should be considered when selecting a piece of land for a farm. These factors are SOIL, MAR-KETS, TRANSPORTATION, COST OF LAND AND CLIMATE, How about the Columbia county lands about St. Helens? As to soil, we have rich red shot up lands with the clay subsoil and the darker loam of the valleys. Creamery, cannery and lowest freight rates to Portland Union Stock Yards and Commission street, in that city, of any agriculturni district in the state are our markets. Transportation, rail, auto and water. Cost of land, hundreds of heres of good land in excellent location for less than \$40 per acre, and we have a climate that will produce the best crops in the state. People are going to find this out. It is going to mean a great development for Columbia county. You who have hoped some day to have a farm home should take advantage of the opportunity offered right here at home.

MUTS OUT FOR CHARITY.

The Muts have organized for business. Martin White was elected Big Mut and A. L. Stone, secretary-treasurer. The executive committee is composed of five other prominent business men.

The ladies committee is composed of Mrs. H. E. LaBare, Mrs. Elmer

Blackburn and Mrs. M. E. Miller. Mut boxes are up in different busiany St. Helens store and will be de- creamery. Be ready, everybody, to livered to Muts for distribution.

A. F. BARNETT KIDNAPED

The Waiting Groom Disappears With Rainier Friends.

Rainfer is the home of A. F. Barnett, and also the home of his accomplished bride. As stated in the Club and intend to have a real warm Portland visitors last Friday. last issue of the Mist, their marriage was solemnized in that city last week

His old associates determined to have some sport, to do something December 17; so don't forget to come. "ludlerous." They kidnaped Mr. Barnett and hied him away to the

"The lamps were trimmed and burning, but the bridegroom cometh High School students, was visiting

A committee wasted upon the distressed bride to demand the usual ransom. It was finally agreed that program to be given by the literary if she would sign away her birthright society Friday night. he worried and sorrowing near husband would be forthcoming. The arbride should voluntarily kindle the the High School. fires at all times without grumbling Bessle, who prevented the ringing of Miss Perry, and she quickly attached her signature, with numerous mental reservations.

The missing groom was therefore roduced and aside from his lacerted feelings, was none the worse for his surprising adventure.

ENGAGEMENT IS

ANNOUNCED

At a luncheon given at the Domes tic Science department of the High School, says the Baker City Herald by a number of the teachers in honor teacher in the Central building, the announcement of the engagement of COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES. Miss Wilson to Ray Chapman, a pharmacist of St. Helens, Ore., was A tiny kitten let out of a basket carried the tidings enclosed is a tiny envelope for each guest The teachers presented Miss Wilson with a cut glass bowl, Superintendant Strange making the presentation speech. Luncheon was served for 30 guests by Miss Wasser, head of the Domestic Science department, and feveral young ladies of the class.

Mr. Chapman is one of our best young men and has proven himself worthy of trust as he has had charge of the Plaza drug store since it was established. He is a graduate of Oregon State Agricultural College. The wedding will not take place until the flowers bloom.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

County Superintendent of Columbia are working for a good school and county, Oregon, will hold the regular examination of applicants for State Certificates at St. Helens, Ore. as follows: Commencing Wednesday, Decem

ber 15, 1915, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, December 18, 1915, at 4 o'clock p. m.

* Wednesday Forenoon, Writing, U. S. History.

Wednesday Afternoon. Reading, Physiology, Composi-tion, Methods in Reading, Methods in Arithmetic.

Thursday Forenoon Arithmetic, History of Education, Psychology, Methods in Geography. Thursday Afternoon.

Grammar, Geography, American Literature, Physics, Methods in Language, Thesis for Primary Cer-Language, Thesis for Primar tificate, Science of Education.

Friday Afternoon. Theory and Practice, Orthography, Physical Geography, English Litera-ture, Chemistry, History of Educa-

tion. Friday Forenoon. School Law, Geology, Algebra, Civil Government, Childhood and

Adolescence. Saturday Forencon. Geometry, Botany, School Admin-

Saturday Afternoon. General History, Bookkeeping, Methods.

Very truly yours, J. W. ALLEN, County School Supt.

IT'S FIRST RUN. The creamery will make its first run today. It was the intention to start up Thursday, but the machinery and connections could not be adjusted in time. The power will be furnished by the mill. As soon as ness houses. Contributions of wear- arrangements can be made, a seping apparel, food, etc., can be left at arate power wire will be run to the use St. Helens butter.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

All the High School boys who attended the annual conference returned safely.

The High School basketball team have challenged the Sunset Athletic game Thursday.

for the minstrel show, to be given English II class have been kept busy for the last few days preparing visited her sister, Miss Lulu, last

II. Richardson, one of the former tere the first of the week.

The boys of the High School have

The girls of the fligh School have a real live basketball team. They family there. icles of agreement provided that the intend to play preliminary games for

Grammar Grade News.

The Thanksgiving vacation was Grammar school. So much was it Portland with friends. appreciated that there is a marked school work.

For several weeks past the class moid. This week mountings of brief visit to Portland relatives. bread and pumpkin mold have been studied under the microscope.

The eighth grade may become bankers, but will find it difficult to figure the profit and loss on their business transactions.

If any one is in need of having of Miss Lottie Wilson, fifth grade on the girls of the Grammar grade.

The county superintendent visited the Clatskanie schools Monday and makes a very complimentary report. He reports the Clatskanie schools as fully abreast with the best of them. Prof. McCord and his teachers are to be congratulated on their work. The Rainier schools were closed

the last four days this week by order of the State Health office, on account of a case of smallpox. We trust it is mostly scare. Prof. Wilkerson and Prof. Austin planned the work so the High School pupils did not loose much time.

The county superintendent paid an official visit to the Warren school Wednesday. There were 101 pupils present and about 14 absent. Many were out with bad colds. Prof. W. L. Dunton is principal and is assisted by Miss Mary Dahlgren, Miss Mary Notice is hereby given that the Thomas and Miss Hilda Muhr. All

WHY I AM A MUT.

there.

If on the trail and I met a man doing splendidly. barefoot, and had an extra pair of shoes, I'd divide. Have had cactus in my heels.

If you were crossing a stream in a boat, and met a man trying to swim it, would you help him? I would. Put yourself in the place of those

who havn't, and you will be a Mut. Just a little self denial and you can be one. Try it, and when you year your neighbor cay that neighbor G. received a Christmas present, and you know that you have had a part ereating that feeling of thankfulness, won't you feel the better for

having done so? If you believe in these tenets, drop coin in the Mut boxes, buy a membership card or wear a badge, and

vou will be a Christian. If you want an idea for being a Mut, take a chance on Miss Rosen-

thal's pillow top JACK MUT. DO YOU BELIEVE IT?

E. I. Ballagh, who left here on the steamer Wapama a couple of weeks ago to visit the San Francisco exposition, returned Sunday BY TRAIN. The councilman maintains that he enjoyed the sea trip and was not sick, and the only reason he returned by rail was to save time, which of course all of his friends believe (?). Ed says the exposition is a great show and if bave made his stay a little longer.

NEWSY ITEMS FROM HOULTON

Mrs. J. O. Divens was a Portland

visitor last week. Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Kelley were

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Masten were The boys have been practicing hard Portland visitors last Thursday.

Mrs. Lee of Portland, was here last week looking after her property. Miss Hazel Razey of Deer Island,

week. Mrs. Ed Envart of Deer Island spent last Wednesday here with

friends. been kept busy preparing for the Thanksgiving here with friends and Mrs. Lily Perry of Portland, spent relatives.

Frank Kelley was down from St. Johns Tuesday. He has moved his

Miss Thomas, teacher at Bachellor Plat school, spent her Thanksgiving

with Portland friends. Mrs. Thompson White and daughthe curfew, had no greater love than very enjoyable for the members of the ter. Helen, spent the week end in

Mesdames John Goodman and difference in the interest taken in Zora Goodman McCallum, were re-

cent Portland shoppers. Mrs. Oliver Smith and baby daugh in agriculture has been cultivating ter, Beulah, have returned from a

> Mrs. Wilkinson spent several days of last week in Rainier with her daughter, Mrs. Ed Joseph.

Miss Jaunita Moffett visited Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Barger at their home on Columbia Heights last week.

Mr. Cole has moved his family first class buttonholes made, just call from the Creosote plant to Houlton, and they are occupying one of the

Perry cottages. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Payne spent Thanksgiving in the country at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Davis

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Brehaut went to Portland Thursday morning to pass their Thanksgiving holidays with relatives of the former.

Miss Elizabeth McKiel of Clatskanie, is spending a few days with her cousins, the Misses Lavinia and Rose Kiblan of this city. It is rumored that Miss Stella Pope

who recently went to Forest Grove, has married. The name of the lucky man is not known. T. S. White and Glenn Metsker motored to Portland Wednesday to

see the big football game between Syracuse and O. A. C. Rev. and Mrs. Sanford Snyder have gone to Monroe, Ore., to spend a few days with their son and his family.

They will return Saturday. Mrs. Pike and little son, Jack, of Seattle, are here visiting at the home of Chas. Morris. Mrs. Morris will

keep little Jack for a while. Carl Olsen, who was injured while If in the hills, and a man came to at work on A. T. Kiblan's store some my cabin hungry, I'd feed him. Been time ago, is still confined to his bed in St. Vincent's hospital, but he is

Dr. and Mrs. Kent of Portland, came down last Thursday to spend Thanksgiving with Mrs. S. S. Long and family of this city. The doctor here often, and have a host of

friends. A. T. Kiblan is having a new glass front put in the store room next to his new store building, which greatly adds to the appearance of the place

in general. Mrs. Nellie Leiferman visited her parents in Happy Hollow recently. When she returned she brought with her her little son, who has been stay-

ing with his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Porter will spend the winter here. Mr. Porter s at present working down the river, while Mrs. Porter is staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Urie of this city.

Miss Naomi Weist went to Portland Wednesday evening, and remained there with her parents until Sunday evening, when she returned tere to resume her school work. The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church

vill meet on Wednesday afternoon

at the home of Mrs. James Dell in

foulton, to discuss the purchase of a carpet for the aisles of the church. The little daughter of Mr. and

LIST OF TRANSFERS.

Reported by Columbia County Abstract Company.

PIONEER PAPER OF COLUMBIA COUNTY

Nov. 17-Security Savings & Trust Co. to C. J. Cook; land in Secs. 32 and 33, T. 4 N., R. 2 W., and Secs. 32 and 29, T. 4 N., R. 1 W., \$10.00. C. J. Cook et ux to Security Savings & Trust Co.; description same

as above, \$10.00. Nancie Fulton Batourney to C. C. Fowler et ux; lots 5, 6, 7 and 8, Blk. 18, Noer City; all of Blk. 15, Neer

City, \$85.00. C. C. Fowler et ux to Walter Huntor et ux; Blk. 18, lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

and 9, Blk. 19, Neer City, \$500.00. Nov. 19-Thos. L. Holstine et ux to P. C. Warbelow; land in Sec. 26, T 5 N., R. 2 W., \$1.00.

P. C. Warbelow to T. L. Holstine et ux; land in Sec. 26, T. 5 N., R. 2 W., \$1.00.

E. B. McFarland et ux to Alex. Waller Adkins; land in Sec. 20, T. 4 N., R. 2 W.; also W 1/2 of lot 13, Blk. Spitzenberg, \$500.00.

Nov. 22-Clinton W. Parsons et ax to Elon Felton; lot 13, Blk. 6 d addn.; also lots 10 and 11, Blk. 77, St. Helens, \$10.00.

Albert R. Miller et ux to Abbie E. Frankel; lot 1, Blk. 4, Bryants st addn. to Clatskanie, \$1.00.

Abbie E. Frankel to Goo. A. Graham; lot 1, Blk. 4, Bryants 1st addn. to Clatskanie, \$1.00. Jesse R. Sharp et ux to William

Kennell; tract 15, Apple Valley, Scappoose Orchard Tracts, \$10.00. Gabriel Gabrielson to John Gab rielson et ux: land in Sec. 23, T. 4

N., R. 2 W., \$1000.00. Nov. 23-John Jokela to Col. Agric. Co.; land in Sec. 31, T. 8 N.

R. 4 W., \$66.66. Nov. 24-Rainier Land Co. to P M. Magnuson; lot 12, Blk. 13, Blan chard's 2nd addn. to Rainier, \$1.00. A. B. Wright et ux to P. M. Magnuson; lot 12, Blk. 13, Blanchard's

addn. to Rainier, \$1.00. berg et ux; lot 5, Blk. 37, Moeck's addn. to Rainier, \$10.00.

John Backus to Milton Smith: lands in Secs. 22 and 27, T. 7 N., R. 2 W., \$1000.00.

Harry E. Girt to Emil Graunitz et ux; land in Sec. 11, T. 6 N., R. 3 W.,

Nov. 26-John E. Peterson et ux to Arthur L. Canfield; land in Sec.

24, T. 6 N., R. 2 W., \$10.00. Nov. 27-Chas. O. Bates et al to

Nov. 29-John J. Havlik et ux to ond column: Miles D. L. C., \$10.00.

Mohler; lands in Secs. 25 and 36, T. No. 3 9,438.18 6 N., R. 2 W., \$1500.00.

fever, and crushes her hip on the gravel road. This injury has given her more pain than her other malady

Will Mellinger and wife went to Portland Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mr. Mills, father of Mrs. Mellinger. Mr. Mills died there at a lo- expenditure of public moneys shall and his charming wife have visited cal hospital on last Thursday. He at one time resided here.

Glenn and Emmett Williams, who are now in Portland, came down to spend Thanksgiving day with their mother, Mrs James Williams, near Houlton, returning the following day.

Ted Prescott was a Portland visi- allowed to be expended. tor last Saturday. He was accompanied by Sidney Usher, who has

Houlton school was dismissed last Wednesday afternoon after the several rooms had rendered their special Thanksgiving programs, and the pupils had until Monday morning to enjoy themselves. Most of the teachers spent the day out of town.

Mrs. O. L. Howard departed Satury for Seattle, where she will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson will go to Chicago on Dec 1st, and Mrs. Howard will take harge of her little granddaughter during their absence.

The county budget will be published next week. The outside tax voting ending November 27, 1915. Mrs. Barnes, who has been ill of powers, such as municipal, school and scarlatina in a very mild form, is road districts, have until December his office of councilman had enough doing nicely, and on the way to re- 1st to make their reports and until salary connected with it, he would covery. The child fell a few days these reports are in, the court is will be sent to Division of Dead Letprevious to coming down with the unable to complete the budget.

PACIFIC INTERNATION-AL LIVESTOCK EXPO.

To Be Held in Portland, December 6 to 11.

November, 24, 1915.

Hon. S. C. Morton, St. Helens, Ore. My Dear Mayor:-We wish to extend to the people of your city a special invitation to attend our fifth annual Pacific International Livestock exposition, to be held at the Union Stock Yards, North Portland, Oregon, December 6-11.

Livestock of the highest type in the whole western country will be shown. This is purely an educational show and everything is free to the visitors, there being no admission

As a representative of your city, we wish to extend to you presonally, an invitation to be our guest at a banquet to be given at the Chamber of Commerce the evening of December 9th, at which time breeders and feeders of the Northwest, the governors of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and probably Utah, Arizona and California, as well as presidents of our different Commercial Clubs, Breed Associations and others will be present. The affair will be strictly informal, no speech making of any kind, only a few heartfelt expressions of good will.

Will you kindly advise us of your acceptance at the earliest possible date. It is expected that at least five hundred covers will be laid.

Will you please ask your local paper to give space to this invitation?

> Yours sincerely, O. M. PLUMMER. General Manager.

COMMUNICATED.

At the last budget meeting there was a set of resolutions read to the county court which were gotten up by the Columbia County Taxpayers' J. B. Wilkerson et ux to C. R. Hall- League. In this document was a demand that the court spend the road tax money according to law.

We hereby give an eye opener for the taxpayer to look over and meditate thereon.

These figures were compiled from the records in the court house at St. Helens.

Statement of amount of taxes levied by county court for general road purposes for 1915.

Amount of taxes levied in first colforth Coast Power Co.; lot 4, Blk. | umn; amount warrants issued for 8, Rainler, together with other lands. work done to Nov. 1st, 1915, in sec-

Gustavo Lange et al.; land in Jesse Gen. rd. fnd, \$66,628.00 \$97,115.36 No. 1\$ 9,348.28 \$ 6,634.74 Nov. 30-G. F. Blocher to C. E. No. 2 13,839.67 19,391.58 5,336.46 No. 4 11,459.30 8,042.76 No. 5 8,515.87 6,409.03 No. 6 5,620.64 11,151.27 No. 7 8,406.06 9,179.84

> \$133.256.00 \$163.261.04 According to Sec. 4 of Chapter 234. Gen. Laws of 1913, no greater be made for any specific purpose than the amount so estimated and 10 per cent thereof.

Gen. road fund of \$66,624.00 plus 10 per cent is \$72,890.80; amount expended \$97,115.36, which is \$24,-234.56 over and above the amount

Road Dist. No. 2, tax of \$13,-\$39.67, plus 10 per cent is \$15,gone to San Francisco to join the 223.63; amount expended \$19,391.58 which is \$4,167.95 over and above the amount allowed to be expended.

> Road Dist. No. 6, tax of \$5,620.64, plus 10 per cent is \$6,182.70; amount expended \$11,151.27, which is \$4,968.57 over and above the amount allowed to be expended.

> No. 1 has a balance of \$2,713.54; No. 3, \$4,096.72; No. 4, \$3,416.54; and No. 5, \$2,106.84, to be expended

of the original tax levied. Respectfully submitted. MRS. MILDRED J. WATTS.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

Letters unclaimed at the St Helens, Oregon, postoffice, for the week

John Ashburn, Mary L. Beebe, Julius Horn, J. Edgar Smith.

Letters unclaimed by Dec. 11, 1915 ters. IVA E. DODD, P. M.